The legacy continues – 2005-2006 ISU Women's basketball

Fast forward to 2005. Terre Haute still remembered the 2002 Lady Braves very fondly. Many of them have moved away and led different lives, a few stayed behind to help build another legacy in Terre Haute basketball. Kristen Weddle, the standout player of the 2001 team, was initially recruited to play for the University of Toledo but various life circumstances led her back to Terre Haute to play for Indiana State University. There she joined her former teammate Melanie Boeglin with a chance to achieve greatness again. This time around with 12 other less familiar faces.

Fans flocked to Hulman Center to watch the Lady Sycamores dominate the court that year. With what was before considered a fledging program with little attendance years prior, the final game of the season, in March 2006, had an attendance of 6,836 roaring fans. While all the players were all excellent in their own regard, South Lady Braves fans attended the games in remembrance of the glory days which had been made so special by Weddle and Boeglin.

Weddle served an important role as a stalwart team leader, coordinating efforts between the coaches and players. Boeglin set team records for steals, assists, and points scored in a season and she was the first female to have a jersey (#22) retired by the university. Rather than giving her teammates a sense of jealousy towards her, her excellence simply made the rest of the team better. So much better in fact that they made it to the Missouri Valley Conference finals before losing to Missouri State respectively.

To commemorate the 2005-2006 season, the basketball on display here, loaned from the Vigo County Historical Society, was signed by the entire team. It is a reminder of an important legacy in Terre Haute women's basketball.